**Expository Nonfiction Texts**

**1. Title:** “Who were the Ancient Roman Gladiators?” from Allabouthistory.org

**Abstract:** An article about who became gladiators and what that meant for them  
**Link to article:** <http://www.allabouthistory.org/ancient-roman-gladiators-faq.htm>

2. **Title**: “Gladiators, 50 AD” from eyewitnesstohistory.com

**Abstract:** This article is about the downfalls of being a gladiator

**Link to article**: <http://www.eyewitnesstohistory.com/gladiators.htm>

3. **Title**: “Gladiators: Heroes of the Roman Amphitheatre”By Professor Kathleen Coleman

**Abstract:** This article is about who became gladiators, the various types that existed, where they lived, how they trained, the rules of the fight, and what ancient people thought of them

**Link to article**: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/ancient/romans/gladiators_01.shtml>

4.**Title**: “A Modern-Day School for Gladiators” By Messina, Julia and Morrow, Paula

**Abstract:** The article features the Roman Gladiator School (RGS) located in the Appian Way in Italy.

**Link to article**: <http://search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&db=f5h&AN=43296497&site=ehost-live>

**Opposing Viewpoints: Argument Nonfiction Texts**

1. **Title**: “The NFL: Is Our Modern-Day Gladiator Sport a Good Thing?” By Corrina Lawson

**Abstract:** This article compares football to gladiators

**Link to article**: <http://www.wired.com/geekmom/2011/02/the-nfl-is-our-modern-day-gladiator-sport-a-good-thing/>

2.**Title**: “WHAT IF THE HUNGER GAMES WERE REAL?” By Kristin Lewis

**Abstract:** The article presents a comparison of the presently popular fictional hunger games with the gladiator games, the real life hunting games that were considered a key part of the ancient Roman society.

**Link to article**: <http://search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&db=f5h&AN=75074821&site=ehost-live>

**Digital Nonfiction Texts**

1.**Title**: “Are You Not Entertained?’

**Abstract:** A clip from the movie, Gladiator.

**Link to video**: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bYr17Dvrldw>